

## **COSTUMES, PART FOUR - THE ARMOR OF A VICTOR**

### **1 Samuel 17:32-34**

32 “Don’t worry about this Philistine,” David told Saul. “I’ll go fight him!”

33 “Don’t be ridiculous!” Saul replied. “There’s no way you can fight this Philistine and possibly win! You’re only a boy, and he’s been a man of war since his youth.”

34 But David persisted. “I have been taking care of my father’s sheep and goats,” he said. “When a lion or a bear comes to steal a lamb from the flock,

### **1 Samuel 17:37-39**

37 The Lord who rescued me from the claws of the lion and the bear will rescue me from this Philistine!” Saul finally consented. “All right, go ahead,” he said. “And may the Lord be with you!”

38 Then Saul gave David his own armor—a bronze helmet and a coat of mail.

39 David put it on, strapped the sword over it, and took a step or two to see what it was like, for he had never worn such things before. “I can’t go in these,” he protested to Saul. “I’m not used to them.” So David took them off again.

### **1 Samuel 17:45-47**

45 David replied to the Philistine, “You come to me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of Heaven’s Armies—the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

46 Today the Lord will conquer you, and I will kill you and cut off your head. And then I will give the dead bodies of your men to the birds and wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel!

47 And everyone assembled here will know that the Lord rescues his people, but not with sword and spear. This is the Lord’s battle, and he will give you to us!”

### **1 Samuel 17:48-49**

48 As Goliath moved closer to attack, David quickly ran out to meet him.

49 Reaching into his shepherd’s bag and taking out a stone, he hurled it with his sling and hit the Philistine in the forehead. The stone sank in, and Goliath stumbled and fell face down on the ground.

## **“THE ARMOR OF A VICTOR”**

### **Romans 13:14**

“But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.”

**You are not fighting for victory; you are fighting from Victory.**

### **1 John 5:4**

For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.

**Ephesians 6:10-18**

10 A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

11 Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil.

12 For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm.

14 Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness.

15 For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.

16 In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil

17 Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.

**Isaiah 59:17**

He put on righteousness like a breastplate, And a helmet of salvation on His head.

**Ephesians 6:10**

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**Ephesians 6:11**

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**Ephesians 6:13**

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**Ephesians 6:14**

Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth.

**1. When you put on God's armor... God's truth becomes your truth.****John 14:6**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

**Psalms 31:5**

Into Your hand I entrust my spirit; You have redeemed me, Lord, God of truth.

**Ephesians 6:14**

...and the body armor of God's righteousness.

**2. When you put on God's armor... You walk like Jesus walked.****Psalms 11:7**

For the LORD is righteous, he loves justice; the upright will see his face.

**Ephesians 6:15**

For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.

**3. When you put on God's armor... you walk in God's presence.****Psalm 23:4**

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**Ephesians 6:16**

In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

**4. When you put on God's armor... you remember He is faithful.****Psalms 40:10**

I do not hide your righteousness in my heart I speak of your faithfulness and your saving help.

**Ephesians 6:17**

Put on salvation as your helmet.

**5. When you put on God's armor... you walk without fear.****Psalm 27:1**

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**Ephesians 6:17**

...and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**6. When you put on God's armor... you attack the enemy.****Ephesians 6:18**

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